

## **H. Res. 651**

### ***In the House of Representatives, U.S.,***

*May 20, 2004.*

Whereas Charles W. Johnson, III was appointed to the Office of the Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives in May 1964 and, over the ensuing 40 years, has continuously served in that Office under seven successive Speakers, the past 10 years as Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives under the appointments of three successive Speakers;

Whereas Charles W. Johnson, III has unfailingly endeavored to apply pertinent precedent to every parliamentary question, in recognition of the principle that fidelity to precedent promotes procedural fairness and legitimacy; and

Whereas Charles W. Johnson, III has institutionalized in the Office of the Parliamentarian his demonstrated commitment to consistency in parliamentary analysis: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives expresses its profound gratitude to the Honorable Charles W. Johnson,

III for his unrivaled record of devoted service and steady, impartial guidance as its Parliamentarian.

Attest:

*Clerk.*